

Amendments to the specification:

Please replace paragraph [0004] with the following amended paragraph:

In the case of PVCs, a quasi-permanent connection is established (e.g., a connection that lasts for days, weeks, months, etc.). PVCs are often used in situations where a large corporate user desires to permanently clear a guaranteed pipe through the network 100 101 from one large office to another large office. For example, if node 105₁ corresponds to the Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) of a first corporate office and node 105₂ corresponds to the CPE of a second corporate office, a PVC may be established that couples nodes 102₁, 102₄, 102₇ and network lines 103₃, 103₁₁ together (in order to form an end-to-end path through the network 100 between CPEs 105₁ and 105₂).

Please replace the Abstract with the following amended Abstract:

A machine readable medium is described having stored thereon sequences of instructions which, when executed by a digital processing system, cause said the system to perform a method that issues from a node PTSE information that has SIG information. The SIG information describes an address change to the node. The node is within a PNNI ATM network. The node is a destination endpoint for an SPVC that flows within the PNNI ATM network to the node.